

Soza, Felipe L.

Easter Island Rapa Nui - NiceEye, 2008

Strange, Tracey & Anne Bayley

Sustainable Development: Linking Economy, Society, Environment - OECD Insights, 2008

See also a list compiled by Tricia Allen about recent books published on the subject of tattooing — on page 87.

20 YEARS AGO IN THE RNJ

The long-awaited supply ship — due in December — finally arrived in February. Shortages on the island were critical; everything from butane to bottled drinks, liquor, flour, and powdered milk were in short supply. Christmas presents, automobiles, and 60 tons of dynamite were included in the late shipment. Newspapers in Chile printed stories saying that there were "no scarcities" but several restaurants and bakeries simply closed for lack of supplies, and store shelves contained only a few odd items. Blame was officially placed on tourism because LAN-Chile increased the number of flights from twice to three times a week; however, this ignores the fact that practically all LAN-Chile passengers are en route to Tahiti and very few disembark at Rapa Nui. The shipping firm protested that in the last year it has carried more than 6 thousand cubic meters of merchandise to the island (this of course includes many vehicles, cement, building supplies, etc.). The ship, which has a capacity of 2,000 tons, brought only 1,000 on this trip. Left behind were several private cars, a government vehicle, a new fire truck, and a new ambulance.

The Sebastian Englert Archaeological Museum will soon be receiving finishing touches in the form of lighting, exhibits, and sculpture gardens.

Next to the Museum, and now under construction, are several structures including offices for the director of the museum and assistants, a photo lab and computer room; a separate large storage building (1600 square feet) for collections; and near the entrance to the Museum is a museum gift shop with public lavatories. These structures are being constructed of native stone, matching the architecture of the Museum. Nearby is the site of the projected William Mulloy Research Library. When all is completed, this complex of buildings will be an attractive as well as important research center.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Due to a miscommunication with colleagues while I was overseas, the submission of "Re-examining Evidence for Late Colonization on Easter Island" in last Fall's *RNJ* (Vol. 22, No. 2, pp.97-101) inadvertently omitted a co-author and I'd like to set the record straight: CRAIG A. TOVEY, PhD, of the School of Industrial and Systems Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, was one of a total of six co-authors on the paper. My thanks to the *RNJ* for providing this correction.

— Brett Shepardson

MOAI SIGHTINGS

Last Fall **María Eugenia Santa Coloma** was on Easter Island and, during one of her walks along Ovahe Beach, she came upon what she described as "tiny and original *moai*". Someone had "carved" a sandy *ahu* with much attention to detail (e.g., the *poro* on the platform)! Thanks, Maria, for this fun and unusual contribution to our *moai* sightings!



According to an article written by Jessica Lam and published last November in the *Pittsburgh City Paper*, at the Phipps Garden Center in Shadyside, Pennsylvania, 61-year-old Rich Rosen chiseled a replica of a *moai* out of a 70-pound block of white marble as part of a "Rhythms of Stone" workshop conducted by sculptor D.J. Garrity. What was Rosen's plan for the *moai*? A Christmas gift for his girlfriend.

Editor's note: If we can manage to obtain a photo, we'll post it!